

a force applicator acting between said rake frame carrier structure and said rake frame support for applying at least a downward force to said plurality of rakes, said force applicator being responsive to an increase in said upwardly directed resultant force above a preset amount to allow said plurality of rakes to move upwardly in response to said increase.

2. (amended) A raking device for breaking up a surface, said raking device comprising:

a rake frame support mounting said rake frame to a rake frame carrier structure

and allowing controlled movement of said rakes in a vertical direction;